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**VIA ECF**

The Honorable Denise L. Cote  
United States District Judge  
Southern District of New York  
500 Pearl St.  
New York, NY 10007

Re: **United States v. Diaz, 18 Cr. 749 (DLC)**

Dear Judge Cote:

I write to request an adjournment of the initial pretrial conference in the above referenced case.

On Monday, I was appointed to represent Jency Diaz, one of the defendants in the case. Prior to my appointment, the Court had already scheduled the initial pre-trial conference for November 13, 2018, at 2pm. I have a long-standing commitment to be in Washington, D.C. on that day.

Accordingly, I respectfully request that the Court adjourn the conference date for Mr. Diaz. In the alternative, I request permission to have one of my colleagues appear on my behalf. Yesterday, I spoke to AUSA Frank Balsamello, and he consented to my submitting this request to Your Honor.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Will Harrington".

William J. Harrington

CC by ECF: All counsel